

### REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested. Claims 1-11 are pending, Claims 1, 8, 9, and 11 having been amended by way of the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action Claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8-9 and 11 were rejected as being unpatentable over Klein (U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0007407) in view of Blewett et al. (U.S. Patent 7,131,141, hereinafter “Blewett”) in view of Stracke, Jr. (U.S. Patent 6,167,451, hereinafter “Stracke”) and further in view of Official Notice. Claim 2 was rejected over Klein, Blewett, Stracke and in further view of Ogle et al. (U.S. Patent 6,052,736, hereinafter “Ogle”); Claim 4 was rejected over Klein, Blewett, Stracke and in further view of Beck (U.S. Patent No. 6,671,273); Claim 7 was rejected as being unpatentable over Klein, Blewett, Stracke and in further view of Winkler (U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0070100) and Claim 10 was rejected over Klein, Blewett, Stracke and in further view of Koyanagi et al. (U.S. Patent Publication 2001/0013067, hereinafter “Koyanagi”).

As a preliminary matter, Applicants note at page 2, paragraph 3, that the Office has construed Stracke in a way that relates to the term “network has actually changed” being interpreted as inclusive of a single network that has been “actually changed” once different information is stored and transmitted in it. On this basis the Office Action concludes therefore that the information stored and transmitted in the network is updated as in Stracke, and so the network has changed.

So as to expressly distinguish this claim construction as it relates to Stracke, each of the independent claims has been further amended to refer to the detected network as having been changed “from a first set of physical devices to a second set of physical devices, said first set of physical devices having at least one physical device not in common with the second set of physical devices”. The purpose of this amendment is to particularly distinguish

a claim construction as applied in the outstanding Office Action, where a particular network that has updated information stored therein, is construed as being a different network. The term “physical device”, is intended to mean a tangible unit, that is mutually exclusive of any other physical device in the network. Therefore, the change in the detected network refers to a change from one network of physical devices to another network of physical devices with at least one physical device not being in common between the two sets of devices. Non-limiting support is found in Figure 1, for example

It is believed that this claim language expressly distinguishes Stracke, but if the Examiner disagrees the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that mutually agreeable claim language may be identified.

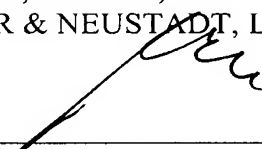
On this basis, it is believed that all of the arguments made in the Request for Reconsideration filed May 17, 2011 are equally relevant to the presently pending claims. And therefore each of these comments is incorporated herein by reference.

Based on the present claim amendment, and arguments previously submitted regarding why no combination of the asserted prior art teaches or suggests all the features of Claims 1-11, as amended, it is believed that each of Claims 1-11, as amended patentably defines over the asserted prior art.

Consequently, in view of the present amendment and in light of the foregoing comments it is respectfully submitted that the invention defined by Claims 1-11 patentably defines over the asserted prior art. The present application is therefore believed to be in condition for formal allowance and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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